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ANXIOUS MOTHER FEARS FOR HER SON'S SAFETY.

Efforts to Learn Whereabouts of Charles C. Merrill Since Discharge From Army Have Been Futile.

In the hope that her son may be alive, Mrs. A. M. Merrill, a widow, living in rooms on the third floor at No. 1455 Market street, will continue her efforts to learn the whereabouts of Charles C. Merrill.

CHARLEY C. MERRILL



Of St. Louis, formerly Sergeant in the Thirtieth Battery, who has been missing since July 30, 1891.

Louis. His battery was with the allied forces on the march to Peking, and Private Merrill saw service in China for a year. A year ago his battery was stationed at Camp Stony, where he was honorably discharged.

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revivify the torpid LIVER and restore its natural action.

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DISTRICTS ARE LAID WASTE.

Forty-Four Settlers Have Been Killed, Besides 26 Soldiers and Fifty Other Persons—Expedition Has More to Do.

Berlin, Feb. 3.—The following cablegram has been received from Swakopmund, German Southwest Africa, from the commander of the German gunboat Habicht.

"The caravans at Windhoek and Okavandja have been relieved by Frank's company with two guns. The relief of Okavandja occurred January 27, Emperor William's birthday, and was without losses.

"On January 28 there occurred a terrific battle between the kaffir little German force and two enemy, who numbered thousands. The engagement lasted for six hours and ended with the storming of the main camp of the enemy, situated on Kaiser Wilhelm Mountain. Four Germans were wounded, but no African fatalities.

"After this defeat the enemy withdrew to the Otjomangwa Hills, but we succeeded in capturing all the stolen cattle. The enemy devastated all the farms and the railroad stations in the Windhoek and Okavandja districts, a portion of Karibab and the banks of the mountain battery at Johann Albrecht's Heights.

"The losses so far are known to be forty-four settlers, including women and children killed, and in most cases the bodies were mutilated.

"The military losses amount to twenty-six, and there have been fifty other fatalities.

"It is probable that Okavandja has been besieged since January 16. The march on Okavandja will begin tomorrow. Colonel Lutwien, Governor of German Southwest Africa, is expected here by steamer on February 5.

DEMURRERS SUSTAINED IN GAS RANGE SUIT.

Judge Blevins Upholds Defendant's Contentions in Action Relating to Establishment of Prices.

Circuit Judge Blevins yesterday sustained demurrers of the defendants in the suit brought in the name of the Attorney General at the instance of the Majestic Manufacturing Company against the Leclade Gas Light Company and about twenty-five dealers in gas ranges to learn the whereabouts of Charles C. Merrill.

It is alleged that it was agreed that ranges should be sold at \$15, \$18 and \$21, and that the Majestic Company refused to enter into the alleged contract.

The Leclade Company, it is averred, at first refused to make the gas connections for the Majestic Company, and later consented, but charged more than it had for other ranges.

The Leclade Company claimed that its obligation was to sell gas ranges to obtain them at reasonable prices.

EFFECTS OF ALTAMONT BANK FAILURE ARE FAR REACHING.

Schools Are Closed, Business Is Suspended, and Hundreds of Persons Have Lost Their Savings.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. Gallatin, Mo., Feb. 3.—All Davies County is agog with excitement incident to the supposed defalcations of Lee Deford, cashier of the Bank of Altamont, last week.

The bank was closed by the State Bank Examiner because of too many bad loans. At that time it was announced the depositors would be paid in full, and the loss to the owners of the bank, George Barkdoll, P. R. and Ross Deford, uncle, father and brother of the cashier, would be about \$12,000.

The books showed deposits of only about \$5,000, but Sunday Cashier Deford confessed to his father that something like \$20,000, received by him on deposit, was not on the books.

With the uncertainty of the books being correct, many of the depositors, many of whom had all their money in the bank, is excited. Cashier Deford left before a warrant issued for him could be served, and he is presumed to have so far evaded capture. The school at Altamont has been closed and many of the schools in the township will likewise be closed, as all the school funds were in the bank.

The owners of the bank have turned over everything they have to be applied on settling with the depositors. The community had implicit confidence in the young cashier, and many deposits were hurriedly moved to his bank from other banks. It is presumed the money was spent in speculation on the Board of Trade.

Indiana League Planned. Evansville, Ind., Feb. 3.—Several of the towns in Southern Indiana are talking of organizing a ball team to be known as the Pocket League. The following towns will play in the league: Washington, Petersburg, Jasper, Huntington, Princeton, Mount Vernon, Mount Carmel, Ill., and Ellettsville of this kind was planned last season, but it fell through.

Thrown From Car Platform. William Charles of No. 2885 Main street, was thrown from the rear platform of a Grand avenue car at Fairview avenue yesterday afternoon and suffered a fracture of the femur on the right side. The accident was the result of a collision between a southbound car with that on which he was seated. After temporary treatment in the office of Doctor Lee, the injured man was taken to his home. His condition is said to be not serious.

Ad Men's League Meets To-night. The St. Louis Ad Men's League has changed its meeting place and tonight will gather in rooms Nos. 262-24 Burlington building, which are being considered for permanent quarters for the league in the future. Secretary B. W. Orr reports that approximately 150 persons will be made for this meeting.

Mrs. W. H. Levi Attacked as She Is About to Enter Maryland Avenue Home.

ASSAILANT CAUGHT BY POLICE

Footpad Seizes Purse Containing Money Order and Trinkets Which Are Recovered and Identified.

Mrs. W. H. Levi of No. 411 Maryland avenue struggled for five minutes last evening in an effort to recover her purse from a negro, who snatched it from her hand as she was about to enter her home.

Despite the negro's greater size and superior strength, Mrs. Levi held him and belabored him until he finally wrenched her chatelaine bag and ran, leaving part of the handle behind.

The bag contained a purse, a money order for \$10 in cash, a card case and several trinkets.

About an hour after the robbery Patrolmen Thomas J. Noonan and Andrew Aylward of the Eighth District, who had heard of the robbery, searched the neighborhood and arrested Thomas Studemire, a negro, 23 years old.

In his possession were found two purses, a chatelaine bag, card case, a money order for \$10 and \$2.45 in cash.

Mrs. Levi identified the purse, card case, chatelaine bag and money order as her property. She could not identify the negro, explaining that the place at which she was attacked was dark.

The police will ask that a warrant charging Studemire with highway robbery be issued to-day.

GIRL'S STORY MAY SOLVE BEDFORD MURDER MYSTERY.

Believes That Murderer of Miss Schaefer Really Sought the Life of Another.

Lafayette, Ind., Feb. 3.—What may prove to be a clew in the Bedford murder mystery has been given to the Lafayette detectives by Katherine Griffin, a servant in the employ of George E. Jenks, a paper manufacturer.

In the presence of two witnesses, Miss Griffin declared that she is certain that the man who killed Miss Schaefer was the same person who followed her on the night the murder was committed, and she believes the school teacher was mistaken for herself. Miss Griffin visited Bedford for several weeks this winter, and her visit was brought to sudden termination because of her fright and the fear that she would lose her life. Detective Wehnert believes the girl's story will soon solve the Bedford mystery.

PREBYTERIANS RAISE FUND. Illinois Churches Want \$1,200,000 for Educational Purpose.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. Jacksonville, Ill., Feb. 3.—The Presbyterian Church of Illinois will try to raise \$1,200,000 for educational purposes during the next five years. The Synodical Educational Commission met here to-day to discuss plans for the raising of this sum, which will be entered in the budget of the General Assembly of the Synodical Educational Commission of the State. Fifteen members of the commission were present, representing all parts of the State.

TIDAL WAVE SWEEPS COAST. Many Fishing Boats Wrecked and Occupants Drowned.

Brest, France, Feb. 3.—A tidal wave swept the coast of Penmarch, Department of Finistere, last night.

One-third of the commune of Penmarch is under water, many fishing boats were wrecked, and some of their occupants drowned. An immense amount of damage was done. The people living near the shore were taken to flee from their houses.

Recomes Ill on Beach. Judge Charles H. Moore, presiding in the Circuit Court at Edwardsville, was taken ill in the courtroom yesterday afternoon and was compelled to depart at once for his home.

WEDDINGS. WHIRLEY-CLINE. Ottleville, Mo., Feb. 3.—Miss Trixie Cline and Mr. Edward Whirley, a popular young couple of this place, were married here to-day.

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OBITUARY. EDWARD A. LORD. Ottleville, Mo., Feb. 3.—Edward A. Lord, one of the best-known members of that institution, is dead at his home in Ottleville. Heart failure is given as the cause of death. He was 72 years old and had been a resident of Ottleville for many years. He was a member of the firm of Edward A. Lord & Son.

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HAPPENINGS IN ILLINOIS CITIES AND TOWNS

DRINKING WATER SHOULD BE BOILED. Doctor Lillie of Board of Health Says It Is Unfit for Use.

"All drinking water used in East St. Louis should first be boiled," declared Doctor W. L. Lillie, a member of the East St. Louis Board of Health, one of the members of the committee which yesterday investigated the East St. Louis water supply.

Doctors E. H. Little and A. H. McBrien, also members of the Board of Health committee, endorse the statement.

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The committee, consisting of Doctors Lillie, Little and McBrien, investigated the source of water supply yesterday as a result of the meeting of the Board of Health on Tuesday, at which many complaints concerning the condition of the water were heard.

"The water supply is being taken from the same old source, close to the Illinois shore," said Doctor Lillie, "and it passes over that big sand bar which lies between it and the channel of the river, where the intake should be. In passing over this bar the water for more than a quarter of a mile goes through a mass of polluted ice which is almost black, and this, we believe, has been the cause of the cholera which has been reported from the Illinois shore. The water supply is being taken from the same place it has been for years, which is only a few yards from the Illinois shore. Resident Manager Horner of the Waterworks, who states Tuesday that the intake had been extended 200 feet, is said by the physicians, who investigated the place yesterday, to have been misinformed.

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